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For: EFFECT PIGMENTS HAVING AN ALUMINUM OR ALUMINUM ALLOY CORE,
PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF AND USE THEREOF

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APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

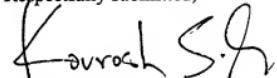
Sir:

The Examiner's Interview Summary mailed May 24, 2010 is noted.

The undersigned agrees with the Summary of the Interview provided by the Examiner except for one clarification. The Examiner has stated: "Applicants' representative, further, indicated that although the specification of instant application disclose Reisser (EP 0848735) in their disclosure, coating layers onto the pigment of Reisser is not safe due to a highly exothermic reaction".

To clarify, the point made was that the combination set forth in claim 1, namely, a metal chalcogenide layer that produces a color flop over a pigment such as the one disclosed by Reisser was thought to be unsafe (not that it is not safe, or that it cannot be rendered safe). Thus, a skilled person would not have coated such a pigment with a metal chalcogenide layer.

Respectfully submitted,



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